

Table 9-20.***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Plans for Burial in Veteran's Cemetery, Race, and Receipt of Service-connected Disability Compensation***

	Total One Race		White		Black or African American	
	Total	Receiving Compensation for Service-connected Disability	Total	Receiving Compensation for Service-connected Disability	Total	Receiving Compensation for Service-connected Disability
Estimated Population						
Not Applicable	4,928,005	494,351	4,625,648	452,042	230,343	28,593
Responding on Item	18,929,121	2,013,864	16,745,249	1,697,468	1,986,291	280,023
Total	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)
Yes	17.1 (0.4)	28.8 (1.0)	15.1 (0.4)	26.6 (1.0)	32.2 (1.7)	40.3 (2.8)
No	70.5 (0.5)	57.0 (1.1)	73.1 (0.5)	60.4 (1.2)	50.3 (2.1)	38.7 (2.7)
Unknown	12.4 (0.4)	14.3 (0.8)	11.7 (0.4)	13.0 (0.8)	17.5 (1.3)	21.1 (2.5)

NOTE: This question was not asked of veterans who indicated that they wanted their remains cremated and either scattered or some other arrangement than having them placed in a columbarium or buried. N/A: Standard Errors not available when estimate is equal to 0% or 100%

Table 9-20. (continued)**Percent Distribution of Veterans by Plans for Burial in Veteran's Cemetery, Race, and Receipt of Service-connected Disability Compensation**

	Minority Veterans (Other Than Black or African American)					
	American Indian or Alaska Native		Asian		Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	
	Total	Receiving Compensation for Service-connected Disability	Total	Receiving Compensation for Service-connected Disability	Total	Receiving Compensation for Service-connected Disability
Estimated Population						
Not Applicable	49,597	9,295	18,863	2,649	3,554	1,772
Responding on Item	110,254	15,866	54,339	15,564	32,987	4,944
Total	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	NR (N/A)
Yes	15.0 (3.4)	27.3* (8.2)	40.4 (8.2)	46.6* (12.3)	62.1* (12.5)	NR (NR)
No	67.7 (4.7)	51.8* (9.2)	37.7 (7.8)	33.1* (11.4)	32.1* (12.1)	NR (NR)
Unknown	17.4 (3.8)	20.9* (7.8)	22.0 (5.4)	20.3* (5.3)	5.9* (3.9)	NR (NR)

NOTE: This question was not asked of veterans who indicated that they wanted their remains cremated and either scattered or some other arrangement than having them placed in a columbarium or buried. * Low precision and/or sample size for the denominator between 30 and 59; NR: Sample size for the denominator less than 30; N/A: Standard Errors not available when estimate is equal to 0% or 100%

Table 9-20. (continued)**Percent Distribution of Veterans by Plans for Burial in Veteran's Cemetery, Race, and Receipt of Service-connected Disability Compensation**

	Two or More Races				Race Unknown	
	Total Two or More Races		American Indian or Alaska Native/White		Race Unknown	
	Total	Receiving Compensation for Service-connected Disability	Total	Receiving Compensation for Service-connected Disability	Total	Receiving Compensation for Service-connected Disability
Estimated Population						
Not Applicable	156,210	20,722	106,057	15,719	110,579	16,265
Responding on Item	401,331	63,641	254,698	42,250	670,790	83,319
Total	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)
Yes	27.8 (2.8)	38.0 (4.9)	21.1 (2.7)	27.6 (4.6)	30.0 (2.4)	43.2 (4.8)
No	58.5 (2.9)	42.5 (4.9)	66.1 (2.7)	52.3 (5.4)	52.1 (2.5)	39.8 (5.4)
Unknown	13.7 (2.0)	19.5 (3.2)	12.8 (2.3)	20.1 (4.4)	18.0 (1.9)	17.1 (4.4)

NOTE: This question was not asked of veterans who indicated that they wanted their remains cremated and either scattered or some other arrangement than having them placed in a columbarium or buried. Only one sub-category of "Total Two or More Races" is shown because all other categories were too small to report. N/A: Standard Errors not available when estimate is equal to 0% or 100%

Table 9-21.***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery***

Estimated Population	
Not Applicable	21,650,422
Responding on Item	3,545,614
Cost	26.9 (0.9)
Friends or family buried there	16.9 (0.9)
Quality of services	10.0 (0.7)
The honor of burial in national shrine	47.2 (1.2)
Other	23.4 (1.0)
Unknown	4.0 (0.4)

NOTE: Veteran may report more than one reason.

Table 9-22.***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery and Gender***

	Total	Males	Females
Estimated Population			
Not Applicable	21,650,422	20,395,588	1,254,834
Responding on Item	3,545,614	3,316,845	228,769
Cost	26.9 (0.9)	27.5 (0.9)	19.3 (3.5)
Friends or family buried there	16.9 (0.9)	16.5 (0.9)	22.5 (3.6)
Quality of services	10.0 (0.7)	10.1 (0.7)	7.6* (2.5)
The honor of burial in national shrine	47.2 (1.2)	47.1 (1.2)	49.4 (4.9)
Other	23.4 (1.0)	23.7 (1.0)	19.3 (3.7)
Unknown	4.0 (0.4)	4.0 (0.4)	3.8* (1.9)

NOTE: Veteran may report more than one reason. * Low precision and/or sample size for the denominator between 30 and 59

Table 9-23.***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery and Ethnicity***

	Total	Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	Not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino
Estimated Population			
Not Applicable	21,650,422	817,056	20,765,816
Responding on Item	3,545,614	305,134	3,224,417
Cost	26.9 (0.9)	23.0 (3.6)	27.3 (1.0)
Friends or family buried there	16.9 (0.9)	13.2 (2.8)	17.2 (0.9)
Quality of services	10.0 (0.7)	10.4 (2.6)	10.0 (0.7)
The honor of burial in national shrine	47.2 (1.2)	57.5 (4.4)	46.3 (1.1)
Other	23.4 (1.0)	17.7 (3.4)	24.0 (1.0)
Unknown	4.0 (0.4)	2.3* (1.2)	4.2 (0.4)

NOTE: Veteran may report more than one reason. * Low precision and/or sample size for the denominator between 30 and 59

Table 9-23.***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery and Ethnicity***

	Total	Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	Not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino
Estimated Population			
Not Applicable	21,650,422	817,056	20,765,816
Responding on Item	3,545,614	305,134	3,224,417
Cost	26.9 (0.9)	23.0 (3.6)	27.3 (1.0)
Friends or family buried there	16.9 (0.9)	13.2 (2.8)	17.2 (0.9)
Quality of services	10.0 (0.7)	10.4 (2.6)	10.0 (0.7)
The honor of burial in national shrine	47.2 (1.2)	57.5 (4.4)	46.3 (1.1)
Other	23.4 (1.0)	17.7 (3.4)	24.0 (1.0)
Unknown	4.0 (0.4)	2.3* (1.2)	4.2 (0.4)

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Table 9-24.***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery and Race***

	Total All Races	Total	White	Black or African American
Estimated Population				
Not Applicable	21,650,422	20,623,900	18,836,720	1,576,526
Responding on Item	3,545,614	3,233,227	2,534,177	640,108
Cost	26.9 (0.9)	27.2 (0.9)	28.8 (1.0)	21.3 (2.8)
Friends or family buried there	16.9 (0.9)	17.0 (0.9)	18.1 (1.0)	12.2 (1.7)
Quality of services	10.0 (0.7)	10.2 (0.7)	11.4 (0.8)	6.1 (1.4)
The honor of burial in national shrine	47.2 (1.2)	46.4 (1.3)	44.7 (1.4)	52.7 (3.0)
Other	23.4 (1.0)	24.0 (1.0)	24.1 (1.0)	24.2 (2.3)
Unknown	4.0 (0.4)	4.1 (0.4)	3.6 (0.4)	6.2 (1.4)

NOTE: Veteran may report more than one reason.

Table 9-24. (continued)***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery and Race***

	Minority Veterans (Other than Black or African American)		
	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
Estimated Population			
Not Applicable	143,320	51,274	16,059
Responding on Item	16,531	21,928	20,482
Cost	9.6* (5.6)	25.9* (8.1)	NR (NR)
Friends or family buried there	27.5* (10.0)	20.9* (11.1)	NR (NR)
Quality of services	14.0* (9.1)	3.3* (3.4)	NR (NR)
The honor of burial in national shrine	34.5* (13.9)	41.3* (12.0)	NR (NR)
Other	28.4* (10.8)	19.5* (8.5)	NR (NR)
Unknown	9.6* (7.0)	7.1* (5.0)	NR (NR)

NOTE: Veteran may report more than one reason. * Low precision and/or sample size for the denominator between 30 and 59; NR: Sample size for the denominator less than 30

Table 9-24. (continued)***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery and Race***

	Two or More Races		Race Unknown
	Total Two or More Races	American Indian or Alaska Native/White	
Estimated Population			
Not Applicable	446,100	307,031	580,423
Responding on Item	111,441	53,725	200,947
Cost	25.6 (5.0)	26.5 (5.3)	23.2 (3.9)
Friends or family buried there	22.7 (6.5)	17.6 (5.2)	11.9 (2.7)
Quality of services	10.5 (3.0)	4.7* (1.9)	5.5* (2.0)
The honor of burial in national shrine	55.3 (6.2)	57.2 (6.7)	56.7 (5.0)
Other	15.7 (3.5)	18.9 (5.0)	18.5 (4.8)
Unknown	1.0* (0.6)	1.5* (1.1)	3.1* (1.7)

NOTE: Veteran may report more than one reason. Only one sub-category of "Total Two or More Races" is shown because all other categories were too small to report. * Low precision and/or sample size for the denominator between 30 and 59

Table 9-25.***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Don't Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery***

Estimated Population	
Not Applicable	11,263,056
Responding on Item	13,932,980
Doesn't know eligibility criteria	8.6 (0.3)
Quality of service	0.2 (0.0)
Didn't know how to make arrangements with VA	2.4 (0.2)
Made other arrangements	41.2 (0.6)
VA services don't accommodate religious preferences	0.7 (0.1)
Veterans cemetery too far away	6.6 (0.3)
Wanted location close to other family members	44.6 (0.5)
Wanted services that weren't available at Veterans cemetery	0.3 (0.1)
Too difficult to make arrangements with VA	0.6 (0.1)
Unable to make advance arrangements with VA	0.2 (0.1)
Other	15.5 (0.4)
Unknown	3.1 (0.2)

NOTE: Veteran may report more than one reason.

Table 9-26.***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Don't Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery and Gender***

	Total	Males	Females
Estimated Population			
Not Applicable	11,263,056	10,469,279	793,777
Responding on Item	13,932,980	13,243,154	689,826
Doesn't know eligibility criteria	8.6 (0.3)	8.4 (0.3)	12.4 (1.9)
Quality of service	0.2 (0.0)	0.2 (0.0)	0.0 (N/A)
Didn't know how to make arrangements with VA	2.4 (0.2)	2.5 (0.2)	1.6* (0.6)
Made other arrangements	41.2 (0.6)	41.8 (0.5)	29.7 (2.6)
VA services don't accommodate religious preferences	0.7 (0.1)	0.7 (0.1)	0.6* (0.4)
Veterans cemetery too far away	6.6 (0.3)	6.6 (0.3)	6.9 (1.4)
Wanted location close to other family members	44.6 (0.5)	44.2 (0.5)	53.2 (3.0)
Wanted services that weren't available at Veterans cemetery	0.3 (0.1)	0.3 (0.1)	0.1* (0.1)
Too difficult to make arrangements with VA	0.6 (0.1)	0.6 (0.1)	0.8* (0.5)
Unable to make advance arrangements with VA	0.2 (0.1)	0.2 (0.1)	0.4* (0.2)
Other	15.5 (0.4)	15.4 (0.4)	17.2 (2.1)
Unknown	3.1 (0.2)	3.1 (0.2)	1.4* (0.7)

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Table 9-27.***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Don't Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery and Ethnicity***

	Total	Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	Not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino
Estimated Population			
Not Applicable	11,263,056	673,212	10,548,795
Responding on Item	13,932,980	448,978	13,441,438
Doesn't know eligibility criteria	8.6 (0.3)	14.0 (2.4)	8.4 (0.4)
Quality of service	0.2 (0.0)	0.6* (0.5)	0.2 (0.0)
Didn't know how to make arrangements with VA	2.4 (0.2)	4.6* (1.5)	2.4 (0.2)
Made other arrangements	41.2 (0.6)	31.2 (2.9)	41.5 (0.6)
VA services don't accommodate religious preferences	0.7 (0.1)	2.9* (1.2)	0.6 (0.1)
Veterans cemetery too far away	6.6 (0.3)	9.9 (1.8)	6.5 (0.3)
Wanted location close to other family members	44.6 (0.5)	38.2 (2.9)	44.9 (0.6)
Wanted services that weren't available at Veterans cemetery	0.3 (0.1)	0.0 (N/A)	0.3 (0.1)
Too difficult to make arrangements with VA	0.6 (0.1)	0.9* (0.5)	0.6 (0.1)
Unable to make advance arrangements with VA	0.2 (0.1)	0.0 (N/A)	0.2 (0.1)
Other	15.5 (0.4)	16.7 (2.5)	15.4 (0.4)
Unknown	3.1 (0.2)	3.2* (1.1)	3.1 (0.2)

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Table 9-28.**Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Don't Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery and Race**

	Total All Races	Total One Race	White	Black or African American
Estimated Population				
Not Applicable	11,263,056	10,508,139	9,125,715	1,218,474
Responding on Item	13,932,980	13,348,987	12,245,183	998,159
Doesn't know eligibility criteria	8.6 (0.3)	8.5 (0.3)	8.0 (0.4)	13.8 (1.9)
Quality of service	0.2 (0.0)	0.2 (0.0)	0.2 (0.0)	0.2* (0.2)
Didn't know how to make arrangements with VA	2.4 (0.2)	2.4 (0.2)	2.3 (0.2)	3.2 (0.8)
Made other arrangements	41.2 (0.6)	41.4 (0.6)	42.7 (0.6)	27.6 (2.1)
VA services don't accommodate religious preferences	0.7 (0.1)	0.7 (0.1)	0.7 (0.1)	0.3* (0.3)
Veterans cemetery too far away	6.6 (0.3)	6.6 (0.3)	6.7 (0.3)	5.4 (1.6)
Wanted location close to other family members	44.6 (0.5)	44.8 (0.5)	45.1 (0.6)	42.2 (2.1)
Wanted services that weren't available at Veterans cemetery	0.3 (0.1)	0.3 (0.1)	0.3 (0.1)	0.1* (0.1)
Too difficult to make arrangements with VA	0.6 (0.1)	0.6 (0.1)	0.6 (0.1)	0.7* (0.3)
Unable to make advance arrangements with VA	0.2 (0.1)	0.2 (0.1)	0.2 (0.1)	0.1* (0.1)
Other	15.5 (0.4)	15.2 (0.5)	14.6 (0.5)	22.2 (2.1)
Unknown	3.1 (0.2)	3.1 (0.2)	3.1 (0.2)	3.3 (0.9)

NOTE: Veteran may report more than one reason. * Low precision and/or sample size for the denominator between 30 and 59

Table 9-28. (continued)**Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Don't Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery and Race**

	Minority Veterans (Other than Black or African American)		
	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
Estimated Population			
Not Applicable	85,260	52,722	25,968
Responding on Item	74,591	20,480	10,574
Doesn't know eligibility criteria	8.2* (3.3)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
Quality of service	0.0 (N/A)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
Didn't know how to make arrangements with VA	4.6* (4.1)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
Made other arrangements	33.2 (6.0)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
VA services don't accommodate religious preferences	1.1* (1.1)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
Veterans cemetery too far away	9.0* (4.5)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
Wanted location close to other family members	43.0 (5.4)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
Wanted services that weren't available at Veterans cemetery	0.3* (0.3)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
Too difficult to make arrangements with VA	3.7* (2.4)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
Unable to make advance arrangements with VA	1.6* (1.6)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
Other	16.4 (4.6)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
Unknown	2.9* (3.0)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)

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Table 9-28. (continued)**Percent Distribution of Veterans by Reasons Veterans Don't Want to Be Buried in Veterans Cemetery and Race**

	Two or More Races		Race Unknown
	Total Two or More Races	American Indian or Alaska Native/White	
Estimated Population			
Not Applicable	322,734	192,337	432,183
Responding on Item	234,807	168,418	349,186
Doesn't know eligibility criteria	6.6 (1.8)	5.3 (1.5)	12.4 (2.7)
Quality of service	2.5* (1.3)	2.3* (1.3)	1.3* (0.8)
Didn't know how to make arrangements with VA	2.9* (1.1)	3.2* (1.3)	3.4* (1.3)
Made other arrangements	35.0 (3.7)	38.4 (4.0)	36.8 (3.7)
VA services don't accommodate religious preferences	0.0 (N/A)	0.0 (N/A)	1.6* (0.9)
Veterans cemetery too far away	4.8 (1.2)	4.3* (1.4)	9.0 (2.1)
Wanted location close to other family members	42.8 (3.7)	46.0 (4.2)	38.8 (3.5)
Wanted services that weren't available at Veterans cemetery	1.1* (0.9)	1.5* (1.2)	0.1* (0.1)
Too difficult to make arrangements with VA	0.9* (0.5)	1.0* (0.6)	0.8* (0.6)
Unable to make advance arrangements with VA	1.4* (1.3)	0.0 (N/A)	0.1* (0.1)
Other	25.4 (4.2)	20.9 (4.8)	21.6 (2.8)
Unknown	0.7* (0.5)	1.0* (0.7)	3.9* (1.3)

NOTE: Veteran may report more than one reason. Only one sub-category of "Total Two or More Races" is shown because all other categories were too small to report. * Low precision and/or sample size for the denominator between 30 and 59; N/A: Standard Errors not available when estimate is equal to 0% or 100%

Table 9-29.***Percent Distribution of Veterans by Plans for Use of VA Headstone or Marker and Age***

	Total	Less Than 35 Years	35-44 Years	45-54 Years	55-64 Years	65-74 Years	75 Years or Older
Estimated Population							
Not Applicable	5,194,794	539,260	726,592	1,322,302	1,140,044	874,407	562,717
Responding on Item	20,001,242	1,749,313	2,303,705	4,092,832	3,805,935	4,382,012	3,553,416
Total	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)	100.0 (N/A)
Yes	42.2 (0.5)	39.0 (2.0)	40.8 (1.6)	46.0 (1.0)	40.0 (1.2)	41.3 (1.2)	43.8 (1.0)
No	37.4 (0.5)	36.6 (1.6)	34.8 (1.7)	31.6 (1.0)	37.1 (1.0)	42.0 (1.1)	40.9 (1.0)
Unknown	20.4 (0.3)	24.3 (1.7)	24.4 (1.2)	22.4 (0.7)	22.9 (1.0)	16.6 (0.8)	15.4 (0.8)

NOTE: This question was not asked of veterans who indicated that they wanted their remains cremated and either scattered or some other arrangement than having them placed in a columbarium or buried. The total "Responding on Item" is larger than the sum of the groups because some veterans did not indicate their age. N/A: Standard Errors not available when estimate is equal to 0% or 100%